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Senate panel votes, 17-0, for Turner

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WASHINGTON — The Senate Intelligence Committee yesterday unanimously recommended Adm. Stansfield Turner to be the new director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

The committee's 17-0 vote means Turner's nomination

will come to the Senate floor for a confirmation vote today.

The committee's approval of Turner, a onetime Naval Academy classmate of President Carter who most recently has commanded NATO forces in southern Europe, came without dis-

cussion after Tuesday's day-long hearing.

Meanwhile, Paul Warnke, Carter's nominee to be chief US disarmament negotiator, said in a second day of testimony before the Senate Armed Services Committee that he does not favor throwing away major weapons systems that he previously opposed.

Warnke said there was no question that the United States will have some operational B1 bombers, saying, "I favor that."

But he said that did not mean that the alternative he formerly recommended, of shorter-range bombers armed with cruise missiles to fire from afar, might not have been better and more cost-effective.

The same thing is true of the Trident submarine, which carries long-range missiles, he said, in defending his earlier suggestions of a larger number of smaller submarines.

"I am not in favor of throwing away a system that has been developed and deployed," he said.